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Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit this Information Disclosure Statement, which includes a completed Form PTO-1449 together with a copy of the reference.

The Japanese reference is relevant for the reasons discussed on page one of the specification and described in the attached English abstract and the accompanying drawings.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), no fee is believed to be due for the submission of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, as it is being submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. Nevertheless, the Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. One (1) original and two (2) copies of this Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed.

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